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10 JANUARY 1984HELICOPTER DELIVERY TO NICARAGUA (SWN)

1. SIGNIFICANCE: THREE MI-2 HOPLITE HELICOPTER SHIPPING CONTAINERS WERE DELIVERED TO NICARAGUA, PROBABLY FROM CUBA, IN LATE DECEMBER 1983. (SWN)
2. REMARKS: THREE HOPLITE SHIPPING CONTAINERS WERE IDENTIFIED AT SANDINO AIRFIELD IN NICARAGUA ON [REDACTED] THESE CONTAINERS WERE DELIVERED TO THE NICARAGUAN PORT OF CORINTO PROBABLY ABOARD THE NICARAGUAN MERSHIP MONIMBO, WHICH CALLED IN CUBA IN LATE NOVEMBER/EARLY DECEMBER 1983. THE HOPLITE SHIPPING CONTAINERS PROBABLY ARE THE SAME THREE CONTAINERS THAT WERE AT CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD IN CUBA [REDACTED] (SWN)

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THE THREE HOPLITE SHIPPING CONTAINERS WERE IN FRONT OF THE SANDINISTA AIR FORCE HANGARS AT SANDINO AIRFIELD ON [REDACTED] PANELS HAD BEEN REMOVED FROM THE CONTAINERS TO ALLOW THE REMOVAL OF THE FUSELAGES. NO HOPLITE COMPONENTS WERE DISCERNIBLE, PROBABLY INDICATING THAT THE HELICOPTERS HAD BEEN MOVED INTO HANGARS FOR ASSEMBLY. (SWN)

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THREE HOPLITE CONTAINERS WERE IDENTIFIED IN CUBA AT CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD NEAR HAVANA [REDACTED] OPERATIONAL HOPLITES HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN IN CUBA IN RECENT YEARS. WHETHER THE THREE HOPLITES WERE DRAWN FROM SURPLUS CUBAN INVENTORIES OR WHETHER THEY WERE BEING TRANSFERRED TO NICARAGUA THROUGH CUBA IS NOT KNOWN. THE THREE HOPLITE CONTAINERS WERE LAST SEEN AT CAMPO LIBERTAD [REDACTED] THEY WERE NOT OBSERVED [REDACTED] (SWN)

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ALTHOUGH NOT CONFIRMED ON IMAGERY, THE THREE HOPLITE SHIPPING CONTAINERS IDENTIFIED AT CAMPO LIBERTAD PROBABLY WERE LOADED ABOARD THE NICARAGUAN MERSHIP MONIMBO WHICH CALLED AT MARIEL PORT FACILITIES, APPROXIMATELY 25 NM WEST OF HAVANA. THE MONIMBO WAS OBSERVED AT MARIEL BEGINNING ON 5 DECEMBER AND HAD DEPARTED THE PORT [REDACTED] STAYING WITHIN CUBAN WATERS UNTIL DEPARTING FOR NICARAGUA [REDACTED] (SWN)

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THREE PROBABLE HOPLITE SHIPPING CONTAINERS WERE ON FLATBED TRACTOR-TRAILERS ON THE TRANSSHIPMENT QUAY, NEAR THE MONIMBO, AT CORINTO PORT FACILITIES IN NICARAGUA ON [REDACTED] CORINTO HAS IN THE PAST BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH THE DELIVERY OF HELICOPTERS (MI-8 HIP) TO NICARAGUA. INCLUDING THIS MOST RECENT DELIVERY, FOUR DELIVERIES OF HELICOPTERS TO NICARAGUA WERE IDENTIFIED IN 1983. (SWN) [REDACTED]

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3. SANDINO AIRFIELD, NU [REDACTED]  
 COORDINATES 12-08-28N 086-10-07W  
 CORINTO PORT FACILITIES, NU [REDACTED]  
 COORDINATES 12-28-50N 087-10-07W  
 CAMPO LIBERTAD AIRFIELD, CU [REDACTED]  
 COORDINATES 23-05-40N 082-25-55E  
 MARIEL PORT FACILITIES, CU [REDACTED]  
 COORDINATES 22-59-40N 082-45-13W (S).

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